

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PRAYER OF PUTIN'S WAR

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, Rev. Dr. Derek W. H. Thomas, now an American citizen from Wales, United Kingdom, being the Senior Minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Columbia founded in 1795 delivered a heartfelt prayer on February 27th for the embattled people of Ukraine with love for the people of Russia. The prayer was authored by Rev. Steven D. Froehlich of New Life Presbyterian Church of Ithaca, NY.

The ministry of Dr. Thomas is so meaningful to our family with six generations having attended First Presbyterian Church of Columbia.

Lord, destroy Putin the tyrant

Lord, have mercy on Putin the man made in your image

Lord, overwhelm the Russian soldiers with the guilt of the evil to which they are party

Lord, show the Russian soldiers the forgiveness that can be theirs in Christ

Lord, guide the weapons of Ukraine to destroy the weapons of their enemy

Lord, may the Russian missiles go astray and miss their targets

Lord, as you have done before, send your angels through the camp breathing chaos and destruction among the Russian army

Lord, as you have done before, send your angels to announce the promise of peace and life in Christ

Lord, keep the Ukrainian people safe and the leaders alive, wise and courageous

Lord, may the citizens of Russia flood the streets with protest against the evil of their leaders

Lord, may the Russian fathers and mothers call to their children bearing arms to lay down their weapons

Lord, may the United States and the nations of Europe be of one mind and resolve to stand against evil, even when it proves costly

Lord, may peace return to the Ukraine and Russia

Lord, as your children were vital to the collapse of the Iron Curtain, may they once again be instruments of peace and justice

Lord, may the Gospel be proclaimed in word and deed so that in war and in peace, in life and in death, in joy and in suffering, Christ might be lifted up, loved and worshipped as the Prince of Peace.

“Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid . . . I have told you all this so you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials, but take heart, because I have overcome the world.” John 14:27, 16:33

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.”

IN RECOGNITION OF WEAVER HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING STATE TITLE

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Weaver High School wrestling team for winning the AHSAA Class 1A/4A state title in dramatic fashion.

On February 19, 2022, The Weaver Bearcats beat Ohatchee High School 82 to 81 thanks to pins by Devin Anderson and Joshua Johansson in the final two matches to secure their title win. The event was held at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

Devin Anderson earned 1A–4A most valuable wrestler. This was head coach Andy Fulmer's first state title and the Bearcats' 10th state title. Their last state title was in 2004.

Madam, Speaker, please join me in congratulating Coach Fulmer, the wrestling team, students, faculty and all the fans. Go Bearcats.

JASON SLOWINSKI

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Golden, Colorado's City Manager Jason Slowinski and wish him well as he transitions to a new role at the Colorado School of Mines.

Since being appointed as City Manager in 2015, Slowinski has led the city in several key initiatives, including critical infrastructure projects such as a new interchange at 6th Avenue and 19th Street, street upgrades on North Washington Avenue, and drainage improvements along Ford Street. Slowinski also played a critical role in the Heart of Golden planning initiative to revitalize the Clear Creek corridor—and all of this under strong and transparent budgetary practices. Throughout the COVID–19 pandemic, Slowinski has worked to ensure the City's financial stability, the continuity of the City's essential services, and support the community's overall recovery.

An effective and successful city manager requires dependability, consistency, and dedication to the city's residents. Throughout Slowinski's career as City Manager he has maintained the best interest for the community of Golden and its people. I want to extend my deepest appreciation to Jason Slowinski for his contributions to the City of Golden and the State of Colorado. I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING FRISCO ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF GREG WARD

HON. VAN TAYLOR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to recognize Frisco Assistant Police Chief Greg Ward on his distinguished twenty-nine year career in law enforcement upon his well-deserved retirement.

In 1985, Ward graduated from Southwest Texas State University with a degree in Criminal Justice. He would later go on to attend the FBI National Academy, the Senior Management Institute for Police, and would obtain a State of Texas Master Peace Officer License.

Since joining the Frisco Police Department in 1999, Chief Ward has supervised numerous departments including patrol, special operations, school resource officer programs, community services, and communications. Chief Ward was also responsible for the Investigations and Services Bureaus as well as the department's firearms program.

Given his extensive experience and active involvement, it comes as no surprise that in 2019 Chief Ward was selected to serve as the interim Chief of Police for the City of Frisco following the departure of Chief John Bruce.

A true public servant, he could often be found around Frisco engaging with residents and participating in events such as Safety Palooza, which sought to bring members of the community face to face with police and fire personnel.

During his twenty-two years of service with the City of Frisco, Chief Ward's versatile skillset made him a valuable asset to both the Department and the community. Due to his approachable nature and willingness to serve as a source of wisdom amongst his fellow officers, Chief Ward was highly regarded not only as a colleague, but also as a friend.

Chief Greg Ward made a lasting impact on the Frisco community during a pivotal time in the city's growth, and his absence will certainly be felt among many. Now upon his retirement, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in thanking Chief Greg Ward for his dedicated career in law enforcement and wish him the best as he prepares to begin a new chapter of his life.

HONORING THE EMBASSY

HON. VICKY HARTZLER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Mrs. HARTZLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an outstanding organization, The Embassy in Sedalia, Missouri. The Embassy operates two Christian Discipleship Transitional Men's Homes to provide support to men in recovery and help them overcome

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